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LETTER REQUESTING PRE-FIRST OFFICE ACTION INTERVIEW

Sir:

Applicant respectfully requests a pre-first Office action interview for this application.

Applicant understands that this application is classified in Class 705 is assigned to Art Unit 3624.

Accompanying this Letter is a Petition to Make Special, which includes a general statement of the state of the art at the time of the invention, an identification of the three references believed to be the "closest" prior art, and an explanation as to how the broadest claims distinguish over that prior art.

Respectfully submitted,

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